



## **REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL**

January 18, 2016 at 2:30 p.m.  
With immediate adjournment to Closed Meeting  
**Regular Council reconvenes at 5:30 p.m.**  
Council Chamber  
City Hall

### **MINUTES**

#### **PRESENT:**

Mayor Jonathan Coté  
Councillor Bill Harper  
Councillor Patrick Johnstone  
Councillor Jaimie McEvoy  
Councillor Chuck Puchmayr  
Councillor Mary Trentadue  
Councillor Lorrie Williams

#### **STAFF:**

Ms. Lisa Spitale	- Chief Administrative Officer
Ms. Jan Gibson	- City Clerk
Mr. Dean Gibson	- Director of Parks, Culture and Recreation
Mr. Gary Holowatiuk	- Director of Finance & Information Technology
Mr. Jim Lowrie	- Director of Engineering Services
Ms. Bev Grieve	- Director of Development Services
Ms. Lisa Leblanc	- Manager of
Mr. Philip Lo	- Council and Committee Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 5:34pm.

#### **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

##### **1. MOTION:**

*THAT pursuant to Section 90 of the Community Charter, members of the public be excluded from the Closed Meeting of Council immediately following the Regular Meeting of Council on the basis that the subject matter of all agenda items to be considered relate to matters listed under Sections 90(1)(a), 90(1)(j), 90(1)(k), and 90(1)(l) of the Community Charter:*

- (a) *personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality;*
- (j) *information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act;*
- (k) *negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public;*
- (l) *discussions with municipal officers and employees respecting municipal objectives, measures and progress reports for the purposes of preparing an annual report under section 98 [annual municipal report];*

Purpose of the meeting:

Personal, property, and negotiations matters

## **ADJOURNMENT**

2. **MOTION** to adjourn the Council Meeting in open session and proceed to Closed Session.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the Regular Council meeting in Open Session be adjourned and proceed to Closed Session.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council present voted in favour of the motion.

## **RECONVENE TO REGULAR COUNCIL**

3. **MOTION** to reconvene to the Regular Meeting of Council at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the Regular Council meeting be reconvened in Council Chamber, City Hall.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council present voted in favour of the motion.

## ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

### 4. **MOVED and SECONDED**

*The following items be added to the agenda:*

*Item 21 a. Development of pest management plan by BC Hydro*

*Item 21 b. National Energy Board hearing on the Kinder Morgan Trans Mountain Pipeline;*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council present voted in favour of the motion.

### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT items 9, 10, 14, 15 and 18 be removed from the Consent Agenda;  
and,*

*THAT the remaining consent agenda items be approved.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council present voted in favour of the motion.

## ADOPTION OF MINUTES

### 5. **MOTION** to adopt the minutes of the Regular meetings of City Council held:

**a. Regular Open Workshop – November 30, 2015**

**b. Public Hearing – November 30, 2015**

**c. Regular - November 30, 2015**

### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the following Regular Minutes be adopted:*

*a. Regular Open Workshop – November 30, 2015*

*b. Public Hearing – November 30, 2015*

*c. Regular - November 30, 2015*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council present voted in favour of the motion.

## PRESENTATIONS

### 6. **No Items**

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### 7. **No Items**

## REPORTS FOR ACTION

### 8. No Items

## CONSENT AGENDA

### 11. 2016 Advisory Committees and Commissions Appointments

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the recommended appointments to City Committees, Commissions and Panels, attached as Appendix A to the report dated January 18 2016, be approved.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council present voted in favour of the motion.

### 12. Amendments to Terms of Reference for 2016

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the Terms of Reference for the following Committees be temporarily amended for the 2016 term, as outlined in the following Attachments:*

- *Attachment A: Community and Social Issues Committee;*
- *Attachment B: Environment Advisory Committee;*
- *Attachment C: Parks and Recreation Committee; and,*

*THAT the Terms of Reference revert back to the original membership numbers upon the conclusion of the 2016 term.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council present voted in favour of the motion.

### 13. Community Heritage Commission Amendment Bylaw No. 7808, 2015

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Council rescind the third reading to amend the New Westminster Community Heritage Commission Bylaw No. 7808, 2015; and*

*THAT Council proceeds with a subsequent third reading of Bylaw No. 7808, 2015*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council present voted in favour of the motion.

**16. Report on Major Purchasing Transactions for the Period September 1 to December 31, 2015**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Council receive the report dated January 18, 2016 for information.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council present voted in favour of the motion.

**17. Municipal Security Issuing Resolution #7528 for the Civic Facilities, Road Maintenance and Park Development Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 7528, 2012**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Council approves borrowing from the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia (MFA), as part of their 2016 spring issue, \$12,500,000 as authorized through the Civic Facilities, Road Maintenance and Park Development Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 7528, 2012 (Attachment 1); and*

*THAT the Greater Vancouver Regional District be requested to consent to the City borrowing \$12,500,000 over a 20-year term and include the borrowing in their security issuing bylaw.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council present voted in favour of the motion.

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

**9. Economic Health Care Cluster Report**

Council discussed the staff report dated January 18, 2016 and noted the following comments:

- Staff could work with the hotel industry to evaluate suitable locations in Sapperton for a hotel;
- A parking study may be required to evaluate capacity issues;
- Transitioning some areas of Sapperton from industrial to digital, technology and service-based industries could increase the number of employers, and bring other businesses into the area; and
- The City may be more proactive in attracting businesses that may want to relocate near the Royal Columbian Hospital.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Council approve the next steps as outlined in the staff report dated January 18, 2016.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council present voted in favour of the motion.

**10. Festival Grants Committee**

Council expressed concerns regarding the annual increases in the Festival Grants budget, noting the following comments:

- For multi-year grants, the grant amount could be gradually decreased every year;
- Reliance on City grants may deter groups from seeking out other sponsors;
- The City may reduce the cost of “in kind” City services; and
- An understanding of revenues brought in by Business Improvement Associations (BIAs) may be necessary to determine whether BIAs have the capacity to support events without City grants.

Council expressed concerns with the cost of the recommended additional City services, particularly with regards to the use of the City float for events, noting the following comments:

- It was suggested that the process for requesting the additional funds may not have been appropriate;
- The requested funds for the floats could greatly benefit other, smaller organizations; and
- The floats have traditionally been used by the Youth Ambassadors as well as for the Pride Parade, which are symbolic and successful programs in New Westminster, and that the City could help to ensure their continued success.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT grant funding to support 2016 Festival Grant recommendations in the revised amount of \$261,500.00 be awarded; and*

*THAT Council considers approving an additional \$51,500 to the \$210,000 approved in the 2016 Festival Grant envelope.*

**DEFEATED**

Councillors Harper, Johnstone, McEvoy and Williams voted in opposition.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT grant funding to support 2016 Festival Grant recommendations in the amount of \$272,000 be awarded as outlined in Appendix 1 of the report dated January 18, 2016; and*

*THAT Council considers approving an additional \$62,000 to the \$210,000 approved in the 2016 Festival Grant envelope.*

**CARRIED.**

Councillors Puchmayr and Trentadue voted in opposition.

**14. Transportation Section 2016 Work Plan**

Lisa Leblanc, Manager of Transportation, reported the following:

- Traffic on Keary Street has increased by approximately 20% increase as a result of the temporary diverter on Alberta Street;
- Traffic issues on Keary Street could be addressed as part of a comprehensive review of Sapperton traffic patterns, and that the review may include traffic calming measures within the context of safety and livability; and
- That the master transportation plan is now at the implementation plan.

Council noted the work being done by the City as part of the Master Transportation Plan, including curb cuts, greenway connections, and accessible transit stops. The plan includes partnerships with TransLink, Surrey and Coquitlam on regional transportation issues.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Council receive the report dated January 18, 2016 for information.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council present voted in favour of the motion.

**15. 2016 City Partnership Grant – Update**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the City Partnership Grant to the Royal City Farmer's Market be approved; and*

*THAT staff be directed to work with the New Westminster Police Department on ways to reduce the cost of City services for this event and report back to Council.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council present voted in favour of the motion.

With regards to the City Partnership grant request from the Association of

Community Organization of Reform Now, Canada (ACORN Canada), Council noted the economic benefits of the ACORN tax clinic; however, Council also suggested that the organization seek creative ways to sustain the clinic program without relying on City grants.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the City Partnership Grant to ACORN Canada be approved; and,*

*THAT staff work with ACORN Canada to request assistance from senior levels of government.*

**CARRIED.**

Councillors Puchmayr and Trentadue voted in opposition.

**18. 100 Braid Street - OCP Amendment and Rezoning for School and Residential Development (Urban Academy)**

Bev Grieve, Director of Development Services, noted the following comments:

- The Applicant currently does not own the building, and current tenants are tenants of the current owner;
- The Applicant has offered to include the 100 Braid Street Studios in the consultation process; and
- Staff will report back to Council with the results of consultation with 100 Braid Street Studios.

Council noted that there may be a number of applicants bidding on this site.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Council direct staff to process the applications for the subject property located at 100 Braid Street based on the process outlined in the January 11, 2016 LUPC report and the applicant providing the following information as part of their formal application submission:*

- a. examination of the heritage considerations for buildings on the site and how these can be addressed through the proposed development*
- b. outcome of applicant working with staff on the development of a Memorandum of Understanding in regards to community-use of school facilities (gymnasium, theatre, classrooms, etc.)*
- c. provision of information in regards to how off-street parking will be achieved on the site*
- d. outcome of applicant's community engagement, including consultation with existing tenants of the subject property.*



**CARRIED.**

All members of Council present voted in favour of the motion.

## **DELEGATIONS – 7:00**

### **19. Open Delegations**

**Mr. Ron Francis and Ms. Dorothy Leighton, from the Residential Waterlot Leaseholders Association of BC,** reported that Port Metro Vancouver has increased the waterlot lease rents at Mr. Francis' marina in Queensborough by up to 200%. Mr. Francis noted that Port Metro Vancouver based this increase on industrial land values.

Following the report from Mr. Francis and Ms. Leighton, Councillor Williams gave the following Notice of Motion:

#### **Notice of Motion – Councillor Williams**

*That a letter be written to Port Metro Vancouver asking them to re-consider and reduce the rental fees for marina owners on the Fraser River to make them comparable to the Provincial rates, with copies to the Minister of Transport, MP Peter Julian, MP Fin Donnelly, and Metro Vancouver.*

**Mr. Tony Antonias, Special Advisor to the Arts Commission,** provided a presentation on the history of the Woodward's "Dollar 49 Day" advertising jingle, which was written by Mr. Antonias.

**Mr. Alan Wardle, the 45<sup>th</sup> Hyack Festival Association President,** provided a summary of activities promoting New Westminster since being sworn in as the new President on January 13, 2016.

## **BYLAWS**

### **20. Community Heritage Commission Amendment Bylaw No. 7808, 2015 THIRD READING**

This item was deferred to January 25, 2016 Regular Council meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **21. a. Development of pest management plan by BC Hydro**

Councillor Williams expressed concerns with BC Hydro's advertised plan to manage pests using herbicides and pesticides.

Council referred this matter to Electrical Operations and Engineering Services, and requested that staff report back to Council.

**21 b. National Energy Board hearing on the Kinder Morgan Trans Mountain Pipeline;**

Councillor Puchmayr advised the National Energy Board hearing on the Kinder Morgan Trans Mountain Pipeline is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, January 19 in Burnaby. Councillor Puchmayr noted that the hearing is closed to the public, but that proceedings may be video streamed at the location.

## CORRESPONDENCE

**22. Correspondence for Information**

*Motion to receive the following correspondence:*

- a. Creative BC letter date January 8, 2016 regarding continued support of British Columbia's motion pictures industry.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the correspondence dated January 8, 2016 from Creative BC be received.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council present voted in favour of the motion.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

**No Items.**

## NEXT MEETING

**January 25, 2016**

A Public Hearing will commence at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, City Hall. Immediately following the Public Hearing, the proposed Regular Meeting of Council convenes in the Council Chamber, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, City Hall.

**Public Hearing**

- **Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7781, 2015 to Zoning Bylaw 6680, 2001 to Permit Commercial Storage Lockers in the C-4C Zoning District**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**ON MOTION**, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17pm.

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**JONATHAN COTÉ**  
**MAYOR**

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**JAN GIBSON**  
**CITY CLERK**

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